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Group: 3762

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For: SAFETY SYRINGE NEEDLE WITH INTERCHANGEABLE AND  
RETRACTABLE PLATFORM

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January 29, 2004

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Sir:

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION**

Responsive to the Official Action dated October 29, 2003, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

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